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Ex parte ANDRE SCHEELEN and WIM COPPENS

Application No. 09/115,229

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 21, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

Appellants filed an amendment (Paper No. 29) on August 1, 2003. On October 27, 2003, the examiner has indicated in an advisory action that the amendment filed August 1, 2003, would be entered. A review of the file reveals that the amendment was not physically entered. Appropriate correction is required.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this application be returned to the examiner for: 1) physical entry of the amendment (Paper No. 29) filed August 1, 2003; and 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of this appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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